

## REMARKS

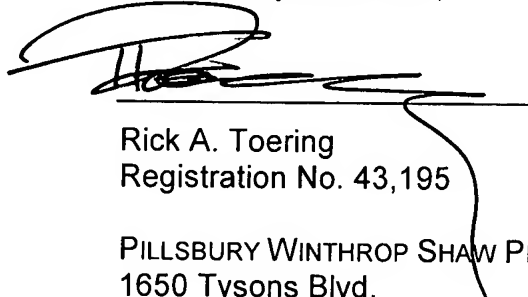
Upon entry of the foregoing Amendment, claims 15-21 and 45-55 are pending in the application. By the foregoing Amendment, claims 56 and 57 are sought to be canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. No claims are amended or added.

In view of the foregoing Amendment, Applicant respectfully submits that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

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Respectfully submitted,



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